Daily Digest

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages S121-S165

Measures Introduced: Four bills and two resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 2014–2017, and S. Res. 248–249.

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Measures Passed:

Legal Representation: Senate agreed to S. Res. 249, to authorize testimony, document production, and legal representation in Thomas Dwyer v. City of Pittsburgh, et al.

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Bankruptcy Reform Act: Senate resumed consideration of S. 625, to amend title 11, United States Code, taking action on the following amendments proposed thereto:

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Withdrawn:

Feingold Amendment No. 2747, to protect and preserve the American consumers' right to take their disputes with creditors to court. Pages \$140-43

Pending:

Wellstone Amendment No. 2537, to disallow claims of certain insured depository institutions.

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Wellstone Amendment No. 2538, with respect to the disallowance of certain claims and to prohibit certain coercive debt collection practices. Page S135

Schumer/Durbin Amendment No. 2762, to modify the means test relating to safe harbor provisions.

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Schumer Amendment No. 2763, to ensure that debts incurred as a result of clinic violence are non-dischargeable.

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Feingold Modified Amendment No. 2748, to provide for an exception to a limitation on an automatic stay under section 362(b) of title 11, United States Code, relating to evictions and similar proceedings to provide for the payment of rent that becomes due after the petition of a debtor is filed. Page S135

Senate will continue consideration of the bill and certain amendments on Tuesday, February 1, 2000.

Nuclear Waste Policy Amendments Act: Senate began consideration of the motion to proceed to the consideration of S. 1287, to provide for the storage of spent nuclear fuel pending completion of the nuclear waste repository.

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A motion was entered to close further debate on the motion to proceed to the bill and, in accordance with the provisions of Rule XXII of the Standing Rules of the Senate, a vote on the cloture motion will occur on Wednesday, February 2, 2000.

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Subsequently, the motion to proceed was with-drawn. Page S139

Removal of Injunction of Secrecy: The injunction of secrecy was removed from the following treaty:

Treaty on Mutual Legal Assistance in Criminal Matters With France (Treaty Doc. No. 106–17).

The treaty was transmitted to the Senate today, considered as having been read for the first time, and referred, with accompanying papers, to the Committee on Foreign Relations and was ordered to be printed.

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Messages From the President: Senate received the following message from the President of the United States:

Transmitting the Report to the Congress on the Strategic Concept of NATO (PM-79). Pages S147-48

Nominations Received: Senate received the following nominations:

Nicholas P. Godici, of Virginia, to be an Assistant Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks.

Richard Court Houseworth, of Arizona, to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation.

Donna Tanoue, of Hawaii, to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation.

Scott O. Wright, of Missouri, to be a Member of the Board of Trustees of the Harry S Truman Scholarship Foundation. Page \$165

Messages From the President:

Messages From the House:

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Statements on Introduced Bills:

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Adjournment: Senate convened at 12 noon, and adjourned at 4:44 p.m., until 9:30 a.m., on Tuesday, February 1, 2000. (For Senate's program, see the re-

marks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record on page \$165.)

Committee Meetings

There were no committee meetings today.

House of Representatives

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Bills Introduced: 9 public bills, H.R. 3552–3560; and 1 resolution, H. Res. 409, were introduced.

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Reports Filed:

H. Res. 408, providing for consideration of H.R. 1838, to assist in the enhancement of the security of Taiwan (H. Rept. 106–490). Page H89

Speaker Pro Tempore: Read a letter from the Speaker wherein he designated Representative Petri to act as Speaker pro tempore for today.

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Recess: The House recessed at 12:42 p.m. and reconvened at 2:00 p.m. Page H52

Presidential Message: Read a message from the President wherein he certified that the new NATO Strategic Concept imposes no new commitment or obligation and transmitted his report on the potential threats facing NATO—referred to the Committee on Armed Services and ordered printed (H. Doc. 106–181).

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Suspensions: The House agreed to suspend the rules and pass the following measures:

Printing of Brochures: Agreed to the Senate amendment to H. Con. Res. 221, authorizing printing of the brochures entitled "How Our Laws Are Made" and "Our American Government", the pocket version of the United States Constitution, and the document-sized, annotated version of the United States Constitution—clearing the measure for the President;

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Days of Remembrance: H. Con. Res. 244, permitting the use of the rotunda of the Capitol for a ceremony as part of the commemoration of the days of remembrance of victims of the Holocaust (agreed to by yea and nay vote of 339 yeas with none voting "nay," Roll No. 2);

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Official Photograph: H. Res. 407, permitting official photographs of the House of Representatives to be taken while the House is in actual session;

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Hillory J. Farias Date-Rape Prevention Act: Agreed to the Senate amendments to H.R. 2130, to amend the Controlled Substances Act to add gamma hydroxybutyric acid and ketamine to the schedules of control substances, and to provide for a national awareness campaign (agreed to by yea and nay vote of 339 yeas to 2 nays)—clearing the measure for the President; and

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Electronic Transfer of Food Stamp Benefits: S. 1733, to amend the Food Stamp Act of 1977 to provide for a national standard of interoperability and portability applicable to electronic food stamp benefit transactions—clearing the measure for the President.

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Recess: The House recessed at 2:52 p.m. and reconvened at 6:00 p.m. Page H65

Intent to Offer Motion to Instruct Conferees: Representative Berry gave notice of his intent to offer a motion to instruct conferees on H.R. 2990, Quality Care for the Uninsured Act. Page H67

Quorum Calls—Votes: Two yea and nay votes developed during the proceedings of the House today and appear on pages H65–66 and H66–67. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: The House met at 12:30 p.m. and adjourned at 9:30 p.m.

Committee Meetings

OSHA ENFORCEMENT POLICY ON EMPLOYEES WORKING AT HOME

Committee on Education and the Workforce: Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations held a hearing on January 28 on OSHA's Enforcement Policy on Employees Working at Home. Testimony was heard from the following officials of OSHA, Department of Labor: Charles Jeffress, Assistant Secretary, and Richard Fairfax, Director of Compliance Programs; Don Upson, Secretary of Technology, State of Virginia; and public witnesses.